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The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D. C. 20505

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Mr. James M. Beggs Administrator National Aeronautics and Space Administration Washington, D.C. 20546

Dear Mry 180ggs:

Thank you for your letter of March 1st inviting me to witness the third launch of the Space Shuttle Columbia on March 22nd. I appreciate very much being included and regret that I am unable to attend. Unfortunately, I am firmly committed that day here in Washington.

Yours

William J. Casey